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INCREASE IN HEIGHT OF PLATFORMS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Railways are planning to increase the height of platforms like platforms of the Delhi Metro Rail ;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) If not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c) No, Sir. Indian Railways have more than 8000 railway stations. The stations have been divided into seven categories i.e. `A1`, `A`, `B`, `C`, `D`, `E` & `F` based on earnings from passenger traffic at the station(s). Level of platforms are decided based on category of station. As per norms of Minimum Essential Amenities, `High Level` platform is provided at `A1`, `A` & `C` category station, `Medium Level` platform at `B` & `D` category station and `Rail Level` platform is provided at `E` & `F` category stations. Further raising of height of Medium/Rail Level platforms is done based on traffic growth, type of trains handled etc.